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causes of action on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel, and for litigants." Id. at 254.

- 2. Plaintiff is the former husband of Yvette Wilson, now deceased ("Yvette").
- 3. The Screen Actors Guild-Producers Pension Plan is a pension fund in which Defendant alleges that Yvette was a pensioner prior to her death. The Screen Actors Guild-Producers Health Plan (which merged with the AFTRA Health Fund and is now the SAG-AFTRA Health Plan) is a multiemployer group health plan in which Plaintiff alleges that Yvette was also a pensioner prior to her death. Defendants assert, among other things, that the SAG-AFTRA Health Plan does not provide pension benefits.
- 4. Plaintiff filed this action on March 27, 2017 [ECF No. 1], alleging Defendants had failed to pay amounts owed to Plaintiff, as a beneficiary, under the Screen Actors Guild-Producers Pension Plan and the Screen Actors Guild-Producers Health Plan, including, but not limited to, retroactive disability payments. Defendants deny generally the allegations in the complaint.
- 5. Yvette left two surviving daughters, Rachel Wilson and Lauren McClain. The Daughters assert that, if Plaintiff is entitled to certain of Yvette's benefits, they too are entitled to benefits.
- 6. Accordingly, and although the Daughters believe Plaintiff's unsuccessful efforts to administratively resolve this dispute exhausted their own administrative requirement, the Daughters are formally submitting for administrative review a claim to Defendants for the Daughters' alleged share of their mother's benefits.
- 7. Should administrative proceedings fail to resolve the Daughters' claims, the Daughters intend to file suit in this Court. In such an event, the Parties agree that Plaintiff's claims and the Daughters' claims should be litigated in the same action.
- 8. Therefore, to avoid duplicative proceedings and potentially inconsistent outcomes, the Parties agree that Plaintiff's case should be stayed until the conclusion of the Daughters' administrative proceedings. Thereafter, if necessary, Plaintiff and the Daughters will take procedural steps needed to consolidate their claims into a single action.

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	9.	Notwithstanding any stay of these proceedings, the Parties agree that discovery
including through depositions, may be obtained during the stay period from Marvin Snyder in light		
of M	Ir. Snyde	r's advanced age and uncertain health. The Parties' ability to take the deposition o
Mr. Snyder is a condition for their agreement to the stay.		

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the Parties, subject to the Court's approval, as follows:

- This action shall be stayed for six (6) months, commencing on the date on a. which the Court enters its order approving this stipulation.
- b. For the duration of the stay, any statute of limitations or other time bar or specified time period to take action shall not run against any claim held by the Daughters that is cognizable on the date on which the Court enters its order approving this stipulation. However, any statute of limitation or other time-period that has already expired as of that date shall not be affected by this stay.
- In the event the Parties are unable to resolve their dispute during the stay c. period, the Parties shall meet and confer within fourteen (14) days of the expiration of the stay period and, within ten (10) days thereafter, file (i) a case status report setting forth the status of the Parties' dispute and (ii) a proposed revised Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order for the Court's review.

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